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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated February 13, 2003, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1, 17, 23 and 24 as follows:

1. (Amended) A CVD apparatus comprising:

a vacuum vessel having an inside in which plasma is produced to generate active species, and film deposition is performed on a substrate by using the active species and a reactive gas;

an electrically-conductive partitioning wall section formed in the vacuum vessel for separating the inside thereof into two chambers;